

The answer is YES!

. . . with the OT SACRIFICIAL SYSTEM as a temporary bridge to reconcile the two truths

AND

. . . the promises of a true and better SAVIOR to come.

The RESOLUTION of God's Faithfulness

The book of Hebrews is all about about how . . .

- Jesus is the true and better HIGH PRIEST.
- Jesus is the true and better SACRIFICE.
- Jesus is the new and living WAY.

Jesus is the FULL and FINAL answer to the Scriptural riddle, the way God is FAITHFUL to both truths of Exodus 34.

The RELEVANCE of God's Faithfulness

*Let us hold fast
the confession of our hope without wavering
for He who promised is faithful.*

NEXT WEEK:

*Gospel Shadows in "The Old Man and the Gun"
(Please watch the movie this week, if you can!)*

The God You Can Know

a study on the attributes of God

God is FAITHFUL

Exodus 34:1-9,
Hebrews 10:19-23
Sunday, August 25, 2019

A.W. Tozer said, "What comes to our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us." This summer, together at Grace Central Coast, we are exploring who God is and what that means for our lives. We conclude our series today with a consideration of "God is FAITHFUL."

The REVELATION of God's Faithfulness

- The OCCASION for the revelation is SIN. (Ex. 32)
- The REQUEST for the revelation is by MOSES. (Ex. 33:13)
- The SETTING for the revelation is STRANGE. (Ex. 33:19-23)
- The RESPONSE to the revelation is WORSHIP. (Ex. 34:8)
- The CONTENT of the revelation is PARADOXICAL. (Ex. 34:6-7)

The RIDDLE of God's Faithfulness

- Two contrasting STATEMENTS in Exodus 34.
- Two contrasting STREAMS across redemptive history.

Is God faithful to FORGIVE sin? OR Is God faithful to PUNISH sin?

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Each week, we provide these questions for our Growth Groups. Growth Groups are the glue which holds our church together. Most groups are on break for the summer, but enrollment will happen again this Fall. This summer, we are continuing to provide questions in the hope that families and households might use them to interact with the message content of our summer series, "The God You Can Know."

Digging into God's Word & the Message Together

1. What was new or fresh for you in this week's message about "God is FAITHFUL?"

2. What comes to your mind when you think of the faithfulness of God? In what ways, have you experienced the faithfulness of God in your life?

3. Read Exodus 32-34. What's happening here? Why is the relation of God's faithfulness in 34:6-7 PARADOXICAL?

4. Read Hebrews 10:19-23. How is Jesus the answer to the Scriptural riddle first presented in Exodus 34?

5. What are some things that can cause us to let go of the "confession of our hope?" How, then, can we use the truth of God's faithfulness to help us "hold fast" the confession of our hope?

Praying Together

Take time to reflect upon the faithfulness of God across the Bible and faithfulness of God in your life. Make a list and give thanks. And ask God to help you hold fast to the confession of your hope.